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LADIES' DONGOLA
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last, guaranteed not to
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BUTTERED SHOES,
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plain box toe and common
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Sixth Ave., 22d and 23d Sts.
(23d St. Station Elevated Road.)

WAS ROBBED, IN HER MIND.

Newark's Police Fooled by a Pretty
Woman's Tale of Woe.

Chief Hopper's room in Police Headquarters, Newark, this morning was crowded by reporters, detectives, patrolmen in uniform, and many citizens who were interested in the strange tale told last night by Miss Wilhelm Lidstrom, a plump and handsome young Swedish girl.

Soon after midnight last night she was found by Policemen Loug and Day lying on the sidewalk in Commerce street. Her pretty little turban was slightly awry.

The policemen questioned her, but she gave unintelligible answers, so they judged her "drunk" and had her removed to Police Headquarters in a patrol wagon.

Chief Hopper told an EVENING WORLD reporter this morning that she was undoubtedly intoxicated when she reached headquarters.

He thought she had drunk too much, and summoned Police Surgeon Clark, fearing that she might die. The doctor revived her somewhat.

Then she told Chief Hopper that she went to Newark yesterday afternoon from Carlstadt with \$100.00 in her pocket, intending to have a good time.

She met a young man a block away from the railroad station. He suited her fancy, and she invited him to "go on a racket with her."

He accepted, and took her to a house where she claimed he drugged her with the big money. She said she had been only two days in the country.

"How is it you got so quickly so well, then?" asked the Chief.

The girl only smiled, and was a deep drawn weary sigh, and to all appearances she relapsed into unconsciousness again.

The Chief had her out to bed in the hospital ward adjoining Headquarters, and Mr. Clark attended her until near midnight, when she revived.

The Chief then held another interview with her. Miss Lidstrom then made a few alterations in her story. She said she was only \$1.000 she had been robbed of, and that she was a Swedish girl.

Then she again fell asleep. This morning she revived, and the Chief followed her account of herself, all of which the Chief does not believe.

"I was born in Sweden and am twenty-six years old. I am an orphan at an early age. I went to live with my grandmother in Stockholm, and remained with her until I was twenty years old. Then she wanted me to marry an old man who was wealthy, but I did not like him because he was so old and short and ugly, and unlike a man in every way."

"I ran away from home to escape marriage with him, and came to America. I have a sister who lives a big boarding-house in Montreal, and an aunt in Hackensack. I lived with my sister for a while, and then went out to service. I worked in many places. The last one I had was with Mrs. Zentz, of 25 Central avenue, Newark. I worked for her two months. I had a very good time, and I visited a girl with whom I used to work, and she lived at 50 North Canal street, Newark."

"Yesterday she induced me to visit a fortune-teller. I did not want to have my fortune told, but she gave me a cup of drugged coffee and told my fortune. I took what was said, and don't remember anything thereafter."

"How much money had you when you went with Mrs. Zentz?" asked the Chief.

Bloomingdale's

34 Ave. Cor. 59th St.

Underwear,
Special.

Men's genuine French BAL-
BRIGAN SHIRTS and
DRAWERS, shirts in short
or long sleeves, worth 70c.,
sale price each...

55c.

Ladies' Maco Yarn RIBBED
VESTS, in ecru, pink, blue,
white and fancy stripes,
worth 20c., sale price each...

15c.

Ladies' Pure SILK RIBBED
VESTS, low neck, no sleeves,
ribbons in neck and sleeves,
in all the leading shades,
worth 90c., sale price each...

59c.

Bloomingdale Bros.,
3d Ave. Cor. 59th St.

FOURTEEN PUT TO DEATH.

Nine Criminals Beheaded and Five
Others Hanged in China.

THE CABLE TO THE PRESS NEWS ASSOCIATION.
LONDON, Feb. 18.—Despatches from
Shanghai give details of a wholesale execution
of criminals which took place recently
in Peking.

The condemned were fourteen in number
and were carried to the place of execution
in wagons.

They were dressed in red, their hands were
tied behind them and a heavy chain was
fastened around their necks.

The prospect of death had no effect upon
them and they seem utterly indifferent to
their fate.

At the place of execution the wagons
stopped and an Imperial Commissioner read
the decree of condemnation.

Nine of the prisoners were to be beheaded
and five to be hanged.

The bodies were placed in front of the
place destined to receive their bodies.
Their faces were painted red, their red
clothes were stripped from them and each
one was forced to dig a grave for himself
two feet in depth.

The subsequent work of the executioner
was speedy, and in a very few moments the
nine were beheaded and the five strangled.

The bodies of the latter were stretched out
on the ground and officers pinned on each a
large paper, giving the name and crime of
the condemned.

Later the bodies were exposed to the
view of the public. The bodies of the
nine were beheaded and the five strangled.

An immense throng flocked to Peking from
the neighboring country to witness the execution.

Through his counsel, Col. John O'Brien,
who is at present endeavoring to obtain from
the city, owing to his connection with the
Dock Board investigation, Mr. Powers,
alleges that, acting as agent for an English
syndicate, he arranged with Ruppert and
Ethert to buy their breweries for \$100,000.

Before their books were examined Mr.
Powers says the brewers demanded a cash
deposit of \$200,000, as guarantee that the
offer was genuine.

Mr. Powers corresponded with his English
agent. They agreed to pay \$15,000, and
upon receiving their assurance,
he turned to Mr. Ruppert and informed him
that the \$150,000 had been deposited.

Mr. Ruppert, he alleges, declined to receive
the money, claiming that the price of
the two breweries was fixed at \$200,000.
The sale, therefore, was never consummated,
and Mr. Powers brings suit to recover
his commission, which he says, Mr.
Ruppert promised to pay him.

When baby was sick we gave her Castoria.
When she was a child, she cried for Castoria.
When she became Miss, she clung to Castoria.
When she had children, she gave them Castoria.

23d Street
LeBontillier Bros

Commence To-Morrow an

Extraordinary Sale
OF
42,000 YARDS

SCOTCH
Zephyr Gingham,

In stripes and printed effects, at

19c. yard;
usually sold at 35c. and 45c.

This immense quantity of hand-
some and trustworthy goods com-
prises 150 distinct patterns, and
is the entire balance of a leading
Glasgow manufacturer's stock.

This sale cannot possibly be
duplicated until the end of the
season.

48, 50 & 52 W. 23d St.

55c.
15c.
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All four buildings were destroyed. The
loss of \$50,000 was partly covered by insur-
ance.

D. Altman & Co.

Will place on sale WEDNESDAY, February 19,

7,000 yards No. 16, best quality black and colored
double-faced SATIN RIBBON, at

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